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HOUSE BILL 2753

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 28-3318, 28-3511, 28-3512, 28-3513, 28-3514, 28-3515 AND 41-1752, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 28, CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE 9, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 28-3516; RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSE ENFORCEMENT.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona: Section 1. Section 28-3318, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

28-3318. <u>Service of notice: definition</u>

- A. The department shall provide written notice to a person possessing a driver license, to an unlicensed driver or to a nonresident driver of the following:
- 1. A suspension, revocation, cancellation, disqualification or certified ignition interlock device limitation of the license or privilege to operate a motor vehicle.
 - 2. Required attendance at training and education sessions.
- B. The department may include additional information in the written notice developed in consultation with the director of the department of public safety as prescribed in section 28-1462 regarding certified ignition interlock devices.
- C. The department shall send the notice by CERTIFIED mail, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED to the address provided to the department on the licensee's application or provided to the department pursuant to section 28-448. If an address has not been provided to the department as provided in this subsection, the department shall send the notice to any address known to the department, including the address listed on a traffic citation received by the department.
- D. Service of the notice provided by this section is complete on mailing. The department shall provide further service of notice only if the department is notified of a change of address pursuant to section 28-448. NOTICE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION IS EFFECTIVE ONLY IF THE PERSON FOR WHOM THE NOTICE IS INTENDED CERTIFIES DELIVERY OF THE NOTICE BY THE PERSON'S SIGNATURE.
- E. Compliance with the mailing provisions of this section constitutes notice of the suspension, revocation, cancellation, disqualification or certified ignition interlock device limitation for purposes of prosecution under section 28-1383, 28-3473 or 28-1464. The state is not required to prove actual receipt of the notice or actual knowledge of the suspension, revocation, cancellation, disqualification or certified ignition interlock device limitation.
- F. Compliance with the mailing provisions of this section constitutes notice of suspension or restriction for the purposes of suspension or restriction under section 28-3320. The state is not required to prove actual receipt of the notice or actual knowledge of the suspension or restriction.
- G. For the purposes of this section, "certified ignition interlock device" has the same meaning prescribed in section 28-1301.

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- Sec. 2. Section 28-3511, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 28-3511. Removal and immobilization or impoundment of vehicle
- A. A peace officer shall cause the removal and either immobilization or impoundment of a vehicle if the peace officer determines that a person is driving the vehicle while any EITHER of the following applies:
- 1. The person's driving privilege is CANCELED, SUSPENDED OR revoked for any reason AND THE PERSON DRIVING THE VEHICLE IS A REGISTERED OWNER OF THE VEHICLE. THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES ONLY IF THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOTIFIED THE PERSON OF A CANCELLATION, REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 28-3318.
- 2. The person's driving privilege is suspended because of a driving under the influence conviction.
- 3. The person's driving privilege is suspended pursuant to the department's action based on a previous conviction for a violation of section 28-3473.
- 4. The person's driving privilege is suspended pursuant to section 28-3306, subsection A, paragraph 3.
- 5. 2. According to department records The person has not ever been issued a VALID driver license or permit BY THIS STATE and the person does not produce evidence of EVER HAVING a VALID driver license OR PERMIT issued by another jurisdiction.
- 3. THE PERSON IS SUBJECT TO AN IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE REQUIREMENT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4 OF THIS TITLE AND THE PERSON IS OPERATING A VEHICLE WITHOUT A FUNCTIONING CERTIFIED IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE. THIS PARAGRAPH DOES NOT APPLY TO A PERSON OPERATING AN EMPLOYER'S VEHICLE OR THE OPERATION OF A VEHICLE DUE TO A SUBSTANTIAL EMERGENCY AS DEFINED IN SECTION 28-1464.
- B. A peace officer shall cause the removal and impoundment of a vehicle if the peace officer determines that a person is driving the vehicle and if all of the following apply:
- 1. The person's driving privilege is canceled, suspended or revoked or according to department records the person has not ever been issued a driver license or permit and the person does not produce evidence of a driver license issued by another jurisdiction FOR ANY REASON OR THE PERSON HAS NOT EVER BEEN ISSUED A DRIVER LICENSE OR PERMIT BY THIS STATE AND THE PERSON DOES NOT PRODUCE EVIDENCE OF EVER HAVING A DRIVER LICENSE OR PERMIT ISSUED BY ANOTHER JURISDICTION.
- 2. The person is not in compliance with the financial responsibility requirements of chapter 9, article 4 of this title.
- 3. The person is driving a vehicle that is involved in an accident that results in either property damage or injury to or death of another person.
- C. Except as provided in subsection D of this section, while a peace officer has control of the vehicle the peace officer shall cause the removal and either immobilization or impoundment of the vehicle if the peace officer

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has probable cause to arrest the driver of the vehicle for a violation of section 4-244, paragraph 33 or section 28-1382 or 28-1383.

- D. A peace officer shall not cause the removal and either the immobilization or impoundment of a vehicle pursuant to subsection C of this section if either:
 - 1. all of the following apply:
- $\frac{\text{(a)}}{\text{(a)}}$ 1. The peace officer determines that the vehicle is currently registered and that the driver or the vehicle is in compliance with the financial responsibility requirements of chapter 9, article 4 of this title.
- $\frac{\text{(b)}}{\text{(b)}}$ 2. The spouse of the driver is with the driver at the time of the arrest.
- $\frac{\text{(c)}}{\text{3.}}$ The peace officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the spouse of the driver:
 - (i) (a) Has a valid driver license.
- (ii) (b) Is not impaired by intoxicating liquor, any drug, a vapor releasing substance containing a toxic substance or any combination of liquor, drugs or vapor releasing substances.
- (iii) (c) Does not have any spirituous liquor in the spouse's body if the spouse is under twenty-one years of age.
- (d) 4. The spouse notifies the peace officer that the spouse will drive the vehicle from the place of arrest to the driver's home or other place of safety.
- $\frac{\text{(e)}}{\text{PARAGRAPH 4}}$ 5. The spouse drives the vehicle as prescribed by $\frac{\text{subdivision (d)}}{\text{PARAGRAPH 4}}$ SUBSECTION.
- 2. The vehicle is owned by the driver's parent or guardian and the peace officer has probable cause to arrest the driver of the vehicle for a violation of section 4 244, paragraph 33 but not for a violation of section 28 1382 or 28 1383.
- E. Except as otherwise provided in this article, a vehicle that is removed and either immobilized or impounded pursuant to subsection A, or B or C of this section shall be immobilized or impounded for thirty days. An insurance company does not have a duty to pay any benefits for charges or fees for immobilization or impoundment.
- F. The owner of a vehicle that is removed and either immobilized or impounded pursuant to subsection A, or B or C of this section, the spouse of the owner and each person identified on the department's record with an interest in the vehicle shall be provided with an opportunity for an immobilization or poststorage hearing pursuant to section 28-3514.
 - Sec. 3. Section 28-3512, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 28-3512. Release of vehicle; civil penalties; definition
- A. An immobilizing or impounding agency shall release a vehicle to the REGISTERED owner before the end of the thirty day immobilization or impoundment period under any of the following circumstances:
 - 1. If the vehicle is a stolen vehicle.

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- 2. If the vehicle is subject to bailment and is driven by an employee of a business establishment, including a parking service or repair garage, who is subject to section 28-3511, subsection A, or B or C.
- 3. If the owner WAS OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF REMOVAL AND EITHER IMMOBILIZATION OR IMPOUNDMENT AND presents proof satisfactory to the immobilizing or impounding agency that the owner's driving privilege has been reinstated
 - 4. All of the following apply:
- (a) The owner or the owner's agent was not the person driving the vehicle pursuant to section 28-3511, subsection A.
- (b) The owner or the owner's agent is in the business of renting motor vehicles without drivers.
 - (c) The vehicle is registered pursuant to section 28-2166.
- (d) THERE WAS A RENTAL AGREEMENT IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF THE IMMOBILIZATION OR IMPOUNDMENT.
- 5. For the spouse of the owner or any person who is identified as an owner of the vehicle on the records of the department AT THE TIME OF REMOVAL AND EITHER IMMOBILIZATION OR IMPOUNDMENT, if the spouse or person was not the driver of the vehicle at the time of removal and either immobilization or impoundment and the spouse or person enters into an agreement with the immobilizing or impounding agency that stipulates that if the spouse or person allows an unlicensed A driver WHO DOES NOT HAVE A VALID DRIVING PRIVILEGE or a driver arrested in violation of section 4-244, paragraph 33 or section 28-1382 or 28-1383 to drive WHO COMMITS A VIOLATION THAT CAUSES the spouse's or person's vehicle TO BE REMOVED AND EITHER IMMOBILIZED OR IMPOUNDED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE within one year after the ANY agreement is signed BY AN IMMOBILIZING OR IMPOUNDING AGENCY, the spouse or person will not be eligible to obtain release of the spouse's or person's vehicle before the end of the thirty day immobilization or impoundment period.
- B. A vehicle shall not be released pursuant to subsection A of this section except on order of a justice court, immobilizing agency or impounding agency pursuant to an immobilization or a poststorage hearing under section 28-3514 or on presentation of IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ARE PRESENTED TO THE IMMOBILIZING OR IMPOUNDING AGENCY:
- 1. The owner's or owner's spouse's currently valid driver license $\frac{to}{constant}$ or $\frac{to}{constant}$ ISSUED BY THIS STATE OR THE OWNER'S OR OWNER'S SPOUSE'S STATE OF DOMICILE.
- 2. Proof of current vehicle registration and, OR A VALID SALVAGE OR DISMANTLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE.
- 3. PROOF THAT THE VEHICLE IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE 4 OF THIS TITLE.
- 4. If the driving privilege of the person driving the vehicle was suspended due to a previous conviction for driving under the influence pursuant to section 28-1381, subsection K, paragraph 4, section 28-1382 or section 28-1383 and a certified ignition interlock device was required to be

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installed on the vehicle, on presentation of OR THE PERSON IS REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO INSTALL A CERTIFIED IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE ON THE VEHICLE proof of installation of a functioning certified ignition interlock device in the vehicle. The impounding agency, storage yard, facility, person or agency having physical possession of the vehicle shall allow access DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS to the impounded vehicle for the purpose of installing a certified ignition interlock device. The impounding agency, storage yard, facility, person or agency having physical possession of the vehicle shall not charge a ANY fee OR REQUIRE COMPENSATION for providing access to the vehicle or for the installation of the certified ignition interlock device.

- C. The owner OR THE OWNER'S SPOUSE IF THE VEHICLE IS RELEASED TO THE OWNER'S SPOUSE is responsible for paying all immobilization, towing and storage charges related to the immobilization or impoundment of the vehicle and any administrative charges established pursuant to section 28-3513, unless EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- 1. The vehicle is stolen and the theft was reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency. If the vehicle is stolen and the theft was reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency, the operator of the vehicle at the time of immobilization or impoundment is responsible for all immobilization, towing, storage and administrative charges.
- 2. THE VEHICLE IS IMMOBILIZED OR IMPOUNDED IN VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE. IF THE VEHICLE IS IMMOBILIZED OR IMPOUNDED IN VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE, THE IMMOBILIZATION OR IMPOUNDING AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL IMMOBILIZING, TOWING, STORAGE AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES.
- D. The immobilizing or impounding agency shall release a vehicle to a person, other than the owner, identified on the department's record as having an interest in the vehicle before the end of the thirty day immobilization or impoundment period if all of the following conditions are met:
 - 1. The person is EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) IN THE BUSINESS OF RENTING MOTOR VEHICLES WITHOUT DRIVERS AND THE VEHICLE IS REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 28-2166.
- (b) A motor vehicle dealer, bank, credit union or acceptance orporation or any other licensed financial institution legally operating in this state or is another person who is not the owner and who holds a security interest in the vehicle.
- 2. The person pays all immobilization, towing and storage fees CHARGES related to the immobilization or impoundment of the vehicle AND ANY ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 28-3513 unless EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- (a) The vehicle is stolen and the theft was reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency. If the vehicle is stolen and the theft was reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency, the operator of the vehicle at the time of immobilization or impoundment is responsible for all immobilization, towing, storage and administrative charges.

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- (b) THE VEHICLE IS IMMOBILIZED OR IMPOUNDED IN VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE. IF THE VEHICLE IS IMMOBILIZED OR IMPOUNDED IN VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE, THE IMMOBILIZATION OR IMPOUNDING AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL IMMOBILIZING, TOWING, STORAGE AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES.
- 3. The person presents foreclosure documents or an affidavit of repossession of the vehicle.
- 4. THE PERSON REQUESTING RELEASE OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT THE PERSON DRIVING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF REMOVAL AND IMMOBILIZATION OR IMPOUNDMENT.
- E. Before a person described in subsection D of this section releases the vehicle TO THE OWNER WHO WAS OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF REMOVAL AND IMMOBILIZATION OR IMPOUNDMENT, the person DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION D OF THIS SECTION SHALL REQUIRE THE OWNER TO PRESENT AND SHALL RETAIN FOR A PERIOD OF AT LEAST THREE YEARS FROM THE DATE OF RELEASING THE VEHICLE A COPY OF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. A DRIVER LICENSE ISSUED BY THIS STATE OR THE OWNER'S OR OWNER'S AGENT'S STATE OF DOMICILE.
- 2. A CURRENT VEHICLE REGISTRATION OR A VALID SALVAGE OR DISMANTLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE.
- 3. EVIDENCE THAT THE VEHICLE IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE 4 OF THIS TITLE.
- F. THE PERSON DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION D OF THIS SECTION may require the owner to pay charges that the person incurred in connection with obtaining custody of the vehicle, including all immobilization, towing and storage charges that are related to the immobilization or impoundment of the vehicle and any administrative charges that are established pursuant to section 28-3513.
- G. A vehicle shall not be released after the end of the thirty day immobilization or impoundment period except on presentation of UNLESS the owner's or owner's agent's currently OWNER OR OWNER'S AGENT PRESENTS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING TO THE IMPOUNDING OR IMMOBILIZING AGENCY:
- 1. A valid driver license to operate the vehicle and proof of current vehicle registration and, ISSUED BY THIS STATE OR BY THE OWNER'S OR OWNER'S AGENT'S STATE OF DOMICILE.
- 2. A CURRENT VEHICLE REGISTRATION OR A VALID SALVAGE OR DISMANTLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE.
- 3. EVIDENCE THAT THE VEHICLE IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE 4 OF THIS TITLE.
- 4. If the driving privilege of the person driving the vehicle was suspended due to a previous conviction for driving under the influence pursuant to section 28-1381, subsection K, paragraph 4, section 28-1382 or section 28-1383 and a certified ignition interlock device was required to be installed on the vehicle, on presentation of proof of installation of a functioning certified ignition interlock device in the vehicle. The impounding agency, storage yard, facility, person or agency having physical possession of the vehicle shall allow access DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS to

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the impounded vehicle for the purpose of installing a certified ignition interlock device. The impounding agency, storage yard, facility, person or agency having physical possession of the vehicle shall not charge $\frac{a}{a}$ ANY fee OR REQUIRE COMPENSATION for providing access to the vehicle or for the installation of the certified ignition interlock device.

- G. H. The storage charges relating to the impoundment of a vehicle pursuant to this section shall either:
- $\frac{1\cdot}{1\cdot}$ be subject to a contractual agreement between the impounding agency and a towing firm for storage services pursuant to section 28-1108 BUT SHALL.
 - 2. not exceed fifteen dollars for each day of storage.
- H. I. The immobilizing or impounding agency shall have no lien or possessory interest in a stolen vehicle if the theft was reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency. The immobilizing or impounding agency shall release the vehicle to the owner or person other than the owner as identified in subsection D of this section even if the operator at the time of immobilization or impoundment has not paid all immobilization, towing, storage and administrative fees CHARGES.
- J. A PERSON WHO ENTERS INTO AN AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 5 OF THIS SECTION AND WHO ALLOWS ANOTHER PERSON TO OPERATE THE VEHICLE IN VIOLATION OF THE AGREEMENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR A CIVIL TRAFFIC VIOLATION AND SHALL PAY A CIVIL PENALTY OF AT LEAST TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS.
- K. A PERSON DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION D, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION E OF THIS SECTION IS RESPONSIBLE FOR A CIVIL TRAFFIC VIOLATION AND SHALL PAY A CIVIL PENALTY OF AT LEAST TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS.
- I. L. For the purposes of this section, "certified ignition interlock device" has the same meaning prescribed in section 28-1301.
 - Sec. 4. Section 28-3513, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 28-3513. Administrative charges
- A. The immobilizing or impounding agency shall establish procedures for immobilization hearings or poststorage hearings, for the release of properly immobilized or impounded vehicles and for imposition of a charge equal to the FOR administrative costs relating to the removal, immobilization, impoundment, storage or release of a vehicle. The immobilizing or impounding agency may waive the administrative charges.
- B. The administrative charges established pursuant to this section shall not exceed one hundred fifty dollars.
- C. The immobilizing or impounding agency shall collect any administrative charges at the time of the release of the vehicle unless the vehicle is stolen and the theft was reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency. If the vehicle is stolen and the theft was reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency, the operator of the vehicle at the

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time of immobilization or impoundment is responsible for all towing, immobilization, storage and administrative charges.

- D. The administrative charges established pursuant to this section are in addition to any other immobilization, impoundment or storage charges.
- E. A justice court providing an immobilization or poststorage hearing may collect a fee equal to the fee established pursuant to section 22-281 for a small claims answer.
 - F. IF THE IMMOBILIZING OR IMPOUNDING AGENCY IS:
- 1. A MUNICIPALITY, THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE CITY TREASURER FOR DEPOSIT IN A SPECIAL FUND ESTABLISHED BY THE MUNICIPALITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPLEMENTING SECTION 28-872 AND THIS ARTICLE.
- 2. A COUNTY, THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE COUNTY TREASURER FOR DEPOSIT IN A SPECIAL FUND ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPLEMENTING SECTION 28-872 AND THIS ARTICLE.
- 3. THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE DEPOSITED, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 35-146 AND 35-147, IN THE ARIZONA HIGHWAY PATROL FUND ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 41-1752.
 - Sec. 5. Section 28-3514, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 28-3514. <u>Hearings</u>; notice of immobilization or storage
- A. If a peace officer removes and either immobilizes or impounds a vehicle pursuant to section 28-3511, the immobilizing or impounding agency may provide the owner, the spouse of the owner and any other person identified on the department's record as having an interest in the vehicle with the opportunity for an immobilization or poststorage hearing to determine the validity of the immobilization or storage or consider any mitigating circumstances relating to the immobilization or storage or release of the vehicle before the end of the thirty day immobilization or impoundment period. If the immobilizing or impounding agency provides the opportunity for an immobilization or poststorage hearing, the immobilizing or impounding agency shall conduct the hearing in accordance with any of the following:
 - 1. In the immobilizing or impounding agency's jurisdiction.
 - 2. Telephonically.
- 3. Pursuant to procedures prescribed by the immobilizing or impounding agency to transfer the authority to conduct the immobilization or poststorage hearing to a law enforcement agency in the jurisdiction in which the owner, the spouse of the owner, the owner's agent or any person identified in the department's record as having an interest in the vehicle resides.
- B. If the immobilizing or impounding agency does not provide an opportunity for an immobilization or poststorage hearing, a justice court shall conduct the immobilization or poststorage hearing. If an immobilization or poststorage hearing is conducted by a justice court, the immobilizing or impounding agency shall appear and show evidence.

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Immobilization or poststorage hearings conducted by a justice court shall be considered as civil filings for the purposes of judicial productivity credits.

- C. Within two working THREE BUSINESS days after immobilization or impoundment, EXCLUDING WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS, the immobilizing or impounding agency shall send a notice of storage by first class mail to each person, other than the owner, identified on the department's record as having an interest in the vehicle. Service of notice of immobilization or storage is complete on mailing. If the immobilizing or impounding agency fails to notify a person, other than the owner, identified on the department's record as having an interest in the vehicle within two working THREE BUSINESS days after immobilization or impoundment, EXCLUDING WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS, the immobilizing agency or the person in possession of the vehicle shall not charge more than fifteen days' immobilization or impoundment when the person redeems the impounded vehicle or has the immobilization device removed from the vehicle.
- D. Within two working THREE BUSINESS days after immobilization or impoundment, EXCLUDING WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS, the immobilizing or impounding agency shall mail or personally deliver notice of immobilization or storage to the owner of the vehicle.
- E. The notice of immobilization or storage shall include all of the following information:
 - 1. A statement that the vehicle was immobilized or impounded.
- 2. The name, address and telephone number of the immobilizing or impounding agency providing the notice.
- 3. The name, address and telephone number of the immobilizing or impounding agency or justice court that will provide the immobilization or poststorage hearing.
- 4. The location of the place of storage and a description of the vehicle, including, if available, the manufacturer, model, license plate number and mileage of the vehicle.
- 5. A statement that in order to receive an immobilization or poststorage hearing the owner, the spouse of the owner, the owner's agent or the person identified in the department's record as having an interest in the vehicle, within ten days after the date on the notice, shall request an immobilization or poststorage hearing by contacting the immobilizing or impounding agency in person or in writing or by filing a request with the justice court IF THE IMPOUNDING AGENCY DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR A HEARING and paying a fee equal to the fee established pursuant to section 22-281 for a small claims answer.
- 6. A statement that if the immobilizing or impounding agency does not provide the opportunity for an immobilization or poststorage hearing, the owner, the spouse of the owner, the owner's agent or any person identified in the department's record as having an interest in the vehicle may request that the immobilization or poststorage hearing be conducted by a justice court in

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the immobilizing or impounding agency's jurisdiction or the jurisdiction in which the owner, the spouse of the owner, the owner's agent or the person identified in the department's record as having an interest in the vehicle resides.

- F. The immobilization or poststorage hearing shall be conducted by the immobilizing or impounding agency or justice court within five working BUSINESS days, EXCLUDING WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS, after receipt of the request.
- G. Failure of the owner, the spouse of the owner or other person or the other person's agent to request AN IMMOBILIZATION OR POSTSTORAGE HEARING WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER THE DATE ON THE NOTICE PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION E OF THIS SECTION or to attend a scheduled hearing satisfies the immobilization or poststorage hearing requirement.
- H. The immobilizing or impounding agency employing the person who directed the immobilization or storage is responsible for the costs incurred for immobilization, towing and storage if it is determined in the immobilization or poststorage hearing that reasonable grounds for the immobilization or impoundment and storage are not established.
- I. IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION, THE VEHICLE OWNER, THE VEHICLE OWNER'S SPOUSE OR OTHER PERSON HAVING AN INTEREST IN THE VEHICLE SHALL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A SINGLE POSTSTORAGE HEARING FOR THE RELEASE OF THE VEHICLE BY EITHER THE IMMOBILIZING OR IMPOUNDING AGENCY OR A JUSTICE COURT BUT NOT BOTH.
 - Sec. 6. Section 28-3515, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 28-3515. Unclaimed vehicles

If a claim has not been made for the return or possession of the vehicle by a person legally entitled to the vehicle within thirty days after a vehicle is impounded pursuant to this article, the person who has possession of the vehicle shall submit an abandoned vehicle report as provided in section 28-4838. THE IMMOBILIZING OR IMPOUNDING AGENCY SHALL REQUIRE THE PERSON WHO TAKES POSSESSION OF A VEHICLE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION TO OBTAIN A RELEASE FOR THE VEHICLE FROM THE IMMOBILIZING OR IMPOUNDING AGENCY.

Sec. 7. Title 28, chapter 8, article 9, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 28-3516, to read:

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28-3516. Access to impounded vehicle; ignition interlock device manufacturer or installer; device removal; fee prohibited; violation; classification
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A. THE IMPOUNDING AGENCY, STORAGE YARD, FACILITY, PERSON OR AGENCY HAVING PHYSICAL POSSESSION OF A VEHICLE IMPOUNDED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE OR SECTION 28-872, OR A VEHICLE FOR WHICH A CLAIM HAS BEEN FILED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 11 OF THIS TITLE, SHALL PROVIDE ACCESS TO A PERSON CERTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT AS AN IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE MANUFACTURER OR INSTALLER DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REMOVING THE DEVICE FROM THE VEHICLE.

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- B. AFTER COMPLYING WITH SUBSECTION C, PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 AND 3 OF THIS SECTION, A CERTIFIED IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE INSTALLER WHO IS DENIED ACCESS TO A VEHICLE BY THE STORAGE YARD, FACILITY, PERSON OR AGENCY HAVING PHYSICAL POSSESSION OF THE VEHICLE MAY REPORT THE DENIAL TO THE IMPOUNDING AGENCY AND REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM THE IMPOUNDING AGENCY TO OBTAIN ACCESS TO THE VEHICLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REMOVING AN IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE FROM THE VEHICLE. ON REQUEST, THE IMPOUNDING AGENCY SHALL PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE INSTALLER OR MANUFACTURER IN OBTAINING ACCESS TO THE VEHICLE WITHIN FIVE BUSINESS DAYS.
- C. IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR THE PERSON IN POSSESSION OF THE VEHICLE AS PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION TO CHARGE ANY FEE OR REQUIRE COMPENSATION FOR PROVIDING ACCESS TO A VEHICLE ON PRESENTATION OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. AN ORIGINAL, COPY OR FAX OF THE PERSON'S CERTIFICATION AS AN IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE MANUFACTURER OR INSTALLER BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- 2. A SIGNED CONTRACT INDICATING THE MAKE, MODEL OR OTHER IDENTIFYING INDICIA OF THE DEVICE THE PERSON IS REQUESTING TO REMOVE.
- 3. THE PERSON'S SIGNED REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO A SPECIFIC VEHICLE OR VEHICLES FOR THE PURPOSE OF REMOVING THE DEVICE OR DEVICES FROM THE VEHICLE.
- D. A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A CLASS 2 MISDEMEANOR.
 - Sec. 8. Section 41-1752, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 41-1752. Arizona highway patrol fund
 - A. An Arizona highway patrol fund is established.
 - B. The Arizona highway patrol fund consists of:
- 1. Monies distributed to the fund from the Arizona highway user revenue fund by the legislature subject to section 28-6537.
 - 2. Miscellaneous service fees.
 - 3. Rewards.
 - 4. Awards.
 - 5. Insurance recoveries.
- 6. Receipts from the sale or disposal of any property held by the Arizona highway patrol or purchased with Arizona highway patrol monies.
- 7. Monies received from the public safety personnel retirement system pursuant to section 20-224.01.
 - 8. MONIES DEPOSITED PURSUANT TO SECTION 28-3513.
- C. Subject to legislative appropriation, the patrol superintendent shall administer and spend monies in the Arizona highway patrol fund in conformity with the laws governing state financial operations.
 - D. Monies in the Arizona highway patrol fund:
- 1. Do not revert to the state general fund or Arizona highway user revenue fund.
- 2. Are exempt from the provisions of section 35-190 relating to lapsing of appropriations.

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E. Subject to legislative appropriation, monies in the Arizona highway patrol fund shall be used to administer the provisions of law relating to the highway patrol and the Arizona highway patrol reserve and all matters pertaining to those laws, except that monies received pursuant to subsection B, paragraph 7 of this section shall be used for the department of public safety.

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